# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# RAILWAYS
# LOK SABHA

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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Confederation of Indian Industry have recently suggested to the Railways to make wagon placement details in advance, make rake load booking available for a specific date, extend the concept of roll-on-roll off, reduce damage caused by multiple handling and the cut rates for single wagons required for capital goods;

(a) if so, whether the Railways are considering to implement the said suggestions; and

(c) the steps taken by the Railways to ensure that the Railways do not suffer any loss in the event the oil and gas business currently being handled by the Railways shifted to new pipelines?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The said suggestions have been made by Confederation of Indian Industry in a seminar held in December`2000. These suggestions are part of the consultation process with chambers of industry to get the industry`s feedback. These are considered based on their feasibility and their expected benefit to Railways.

(c): Despite construction of pipelines, no drop in volume is expected in the transportation of petroleum products by rail although there may be a decline in market share. With a view to create capacity for rail movement of petroleum products, the Railways are now procuring 100% of the tank wagons on replacement account and 50% on incremental account. A close coordination is being maintained with the oil Industry and Railways at all levels.